

**IN THE CLAIMS**

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-10 (canceled)

Claim 11 (currently amended): An ironing board on which an ironing board cover having an elastic padding is installable, the ironing board comprising:

a board portion having a surface; ~~and~~  
a peripheral edge standing out over the surface and configured to hold the elastic padding in an unshiftable manner; and  
wherein a bottom surface of the elastic padding includes a peripheral groove enclosing the peripheral edge of the ironing board.

Claim 12 (previously presented): The ironing board as recited in claim 11, wherein the padding is enclosed by the edge of the ironing board.

Claim 13 (canceled).

Claim 14 (currently amended): The ironing board as recited in claim ~~13~~ 11, wherein the board portion includes an outer edge and the padding has a bulge engaging with the outer edge from behind.

Claim 15 (previously presented): The ironing board as recited in claim 14, wherein the peripheral edge is a separate element from the board portion and attachable to the board portion.

Claim 16 (previously presented): The ironing board as recited in claim 15, wherein the peripheral edge includes a peripheral section corresponding to a contour of the board portion and enclosing the outer edge.

Claim 17 (previously presented): The ironing board as recited in claim 11, wherein the peripheral edge stands out 0.2 to 5 cm over the surface.

Claim 18 (previously presented): The ironing board as recited in claim 11, wherein the peripheral edge stands out 0.5 to 2 cm, out over the surface.

Claim 19 (previously presented): The ironing board as recited in claim 11, wherein the peripheral edge has a tapered shape.

Claim 20 (previously presented): The ironing board as recited in claim 19, wherein a base of the tapered shape is 0.1 to 1.5 cm wide.

Claim 21 (previously presented): The ironing board as recited in claim 11, wherein the padding includes an intrinsically rigid hard foam.